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Investing in Education

Education Provisions in the Fiscal Year 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act

Democrats in Congress have been fighting to secure transformative federal investments to help fight inflation, lower the cost of living, support working families, create American jobs, and combat climate change.

In December 2022, Democrats in Congress secured transformative investments in the 2023 funding bill that help the middle class, working families, small businesses, and the vulnerable who work hard. Instead of catering to the biggest corporations and billionaires, we are tackling some of our nation's biggest challenges with major investments in education.

Overall, the 2023 funding bill provides nearly \$124 billion to strengthen our education system. Below you will find a summary of all the education provisions included in the fiscal year 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act.

Labor-HHS-Education

- **Administration for Children and Families (ACF)** – The bill provides \$35 billion for ACF, an increase of \$2.5 billion above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - **Early childhood education** programs receive an increase of over \$2.8 billion above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level, including:
 - \$8 billion for the Child Care and Development Block Grant, an increase of \$1.9 billion above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$12 billion for Head Start, an increase of \$960 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$315 million for Preschool Development Grants, an increase of \$25 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- **Department of Education (ED)** – The bill provides a total of \$79.6 billion in discretionary appropriations for ED, an increase of \$3.2 billion above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level. Of this amount, the bill includes:
 - **K-12 Education, including Individuals with Disabilities Education Act programs**—\$45 billion, an increase of \$2.4 billion over the fiscal year 2022 enacted level. Within this amount, the bill provides:

- \$18.4 billion for **Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies**, an increase of \$850 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- \$15.5 billion for **Special Education**, an increase of \$934 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level. The amount includes:
 - \$14.2 billion for **Part B Grants to States**, an increase of \$850 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level;
 - \$540 million for **Grants for Infants and Families**, an increase of \$44 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level;
 - \$115 million for **Personnel Preparation**, an increase of \$20 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level; and
 - \$36 million for **Special Olympics** education programs, an increase of \$5 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- \$890 million for **English Language Acquisition**, an increase of \$59 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- \$1.4 billion for **Student Support and Academic Enrichment State Grants**, an increase of \$100 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- \$1.3 billion for **Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers**, an increase of \$40 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- \$1.6 billion for **Impact Aid**, an increase of \$61 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- \$129 million for **Magnet Schools Assistance**, an increase of \$15 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- \$23 million for **American History and Civics**, an increase of \$15 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- \$129 million for **Education for Homeless Children and Youth**, an increase of \$15 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- Continued support for a **Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) Initiative** to support SEL and “whole child” approaches to education. Within this amount, the bill provides:
 - \$87 million, an increase of \$5 million over the fiscal year 2022 enacted level, for evidence-based, field-initiated grants that address student social, emotional, and cognitive needs within the **Education Innovation and Research** program;
 - \$90 million, an increase of \$5 million over the fiscal year 2022 enacted level, for the **Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED)** program with a priority for professional development and pathways into teaching that includes a strong foundation in SEL and “whole child” strategies; and
 - \$150 million, an increase of \$75 million over the fiscal year 2022 enacted level, for **Full-Service Community Schools** to provide comprehensive services and expand evidence-based models that meet the holistic needs of children, families, and communities.
- The bill also repeals a prohibition against the use of federal education funds by states and school districts for certain transportation activities.

- **Career, Technical and Adult Education**—\$2.2 billion for Career, Technical and Adult Education, an increase of \$100 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level. This amount includes:
 - \$1.4 billion for **CTE State Grants**, an increase of \$50 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level;
 - \$32 million for **CTE National Programs**, an increase of \$25 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level, to support a new Career-Connected High Schools initiative within Innovation and Modernization Grants; and,
 - \$729 million for **Adult Education State Grants**, an increase of \$25 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.

- **Student Financial Assistance**—\$24.6 billion for Federal student aid programs, an increase of \$34 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level. Within this amount, the bill provides:
 - \$7,395 for the maximum **Pell Grant**, an increase of \$500 above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$910 million for the **Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant program**, an increase of \$15 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$1.2 billion for **Federal Work Study**, an increase of \$20 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.

- **Higher Education**—\$3.5 billion for higher education programs, an increase of \$532 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - Within this amount, the bill provides \$1.02 billion, an increase of \$137 million over the fiscal year 2022 enacted level, to assist **Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)** and **Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs)** in the Aid for Institutional Development account, including:
 - \$396 million for **HBCUs**, an increase of \$33 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$228 million for **Hispanic Serving Institutions**, an increase of \$45 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$52 million for **Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities**, an increase of \$8 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - The bill also provides investments in the following higher education programs:
 - \$1.2 billion for **Federal TRIO programs**, an increase of \$54 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$388 million for **GEAR UP**, an increase of \$10 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$70 million for **Teacher Quality Partnerships**, an increase of \$11 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$75 million for the **Child Care Access Means Parents in School**, an increase of \$10 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.

- \$15 million for **Hawkins Centers of Excellence**, an increase of \$7 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$50 million for a new **HBCU, TCU, and MSI Research and Development Infrastructure Grants** program.
 - \$45 million for **Postsecondary Student Success Grants**, an increase of \$40 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
- **Institute of Education Sciences (IES)**— \$808 million for IES, an increase of \$71 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.

Agriculture-Rural Development- FDA

- **Rural Broadband** – The legislation invests nearly \$450 million in the expansion of broadband service to provide economic development opportunities and improved education and healthcare services, including an additional \$348 million for the ReConnect program. This funding is in addition to the \$2 billion provided in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. These significant investments in broadband reflect a commitment to enabling Americans in rural communities to access the digital tools necessary to improve health, educational, and economic outcomes. Since 2019, more than 200,000 rural residents have gained access to broadband through these programs.
- **Agricultural Research, Education, and Economics** – The bill provides \$3.8 billion – \$200 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level – for agriculture research, education, and economics programs, including the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) and the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). This funding will support research and education at all ARS facilities and those co-located at colleges and universities across the country to help mitigate and stop devastating livestock and crop diseases, improve food safety and water quality, enhance human nutrition research, increase production, and combat antimicrobial resistance.
 - Within this number is \$1.1 billion for NIFA’s Research and Education Activities, an increase of \$48 million above fiscal year 2022, which provides funding to U.S. land-grant colleges and universities, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions, 1994 Institutions, and 1890 institutions.
- The bill also provides \$10 million for **rural health and safety** and **farm safety education** programs.
- **Nutrition Education** – The bill provides resources through the domestic nutrition programs for nutrition and food safety education, including \$506 million for nutrition education and obesity prevention grants through SNAP. SNAP-Ed's goal is to improve the likelihood that persons eligible for SNAP and other means-tested programs will make healthy food choices and choose physically active lifestyles consistent with the current Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

- **McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program** – The bill includes \$243.3 million for the McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program which helps support education, child development, and food security in low-income, food-deficit countries.

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

- **NOAA Education** – The bill includes \$35.5 million for STEM education activities of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), an increase of \$1.7 million above fiscal year 2022, including \$8.7 million for the Bay Watershed Education and Training program, \$20.8 million for the Jose E. Serrano Educational Partnership Program with Minority Serving Institutions, and \$6 million for the NOAA Education Program Base.
- **NASA STEM Education** – The bill includes \$143.5 million, an increase of \$6.5 million above fiscal year 2022, including \$58 million for the National Space Grant College and Fellowship Program, \$26 million for the Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research, \$45.5 million for the Minority University Research and Education Project, and \$14 million for STEM Education and Accountability Projects.
- **National Science Foundation (NSF)** – The bill includes \$9.54 billion for NSF, an increase of \$701million above fiscal year 2022. In addition, the bill includes a further \$335 million to implement the Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act.
- **John R. Justice Grant Program** – The bill provides \$5 million, an increase of \$1 million above fiscal year 2022, for the Justice Department’s John R. Justice grant program, which provides loan repayment assistance for local, State, and Federal public defenders and local and State prosecutors who commit to continued employment as public defenders and prosecutors for at least 3 years.
- **U.S. Commercial Service Fellowships** – The bill provides up to \$3 million for a new grant program within the International Trade Administration to establish a minority fellowship program to recruit students for a career with the U.S. Commercial Service, to help create jobs by expanding U.S. exports.

Defense

- **Schools on military bases** – The bill provides \$686.5 million to construct, renovate, repair, or expand schools on military installations, which is an increase of \$300.75 million from the President’s request.
- **Impact Aid:** The bill provides an additional \$60 million for Impact Aid and \$20 million for Impact Aid for those with Disabilities.

Energy & Water Development

- **Indian Energy Policy and Programs** – The bill provides \$75 million, an increase of \$17 million above the fiscal year 2022 level. This funding will provide technical assistance, direct and remote education, policy research and analysis, and financial assistance to Indian tribes, Alaska Native Village and Regional Corporations, and Tribal Energy Resource Development Organizations.
- **Workforce Development for Teachers and Scientists Program** – The bill provides \$42 million, an increase of \$7 million above the fiscal year 2022 level. The program ensures that the nation has a sustained pipeline of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) workers to meet national goals and objectives.
- **Appalachian Regional Commission** – The bill provides \$200 million, an increase of \$5 million above the fiscal year 2022 level. The Commission funds efforts in the Appalachian Region to promote economic and community development, education and job training, and critical infrastructure.
- **Northern Border Regional Commission** – The bill provides \$40 million, an increase of \$5 million above the fiscal year 2022 level. The Commission funds efforts in the Northeastern region to promote economic and community development, education, job training, and critical infrastructure.
- **Southeast Crescent Regional Commission** – The bill provides \$20 million, an increase of \$15 million above the fiscal year 2022 level. The Commission funds efforts in the Southeastern region to promote economic and community development, education, job training, and critical infrastructure.

Interior-Environment

- **Department of the Interior (DOI)** – The bill includes:
 - \$1.1 billion for the Bureau of Indian Education Operation of Indian Programs, \$116 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level, and \$268 million for Bureau of Indian Education Construction, \$4 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level.
 - \$6.5 million for Native language immersion for Native students outside the Bureau of Indian Education school system.

Financial Services and General Government

- **Department of the Treasury** – The bill includes language to support education and initiatives to increase financial literacy and numeracy skills, particularly within communities of color and historically disadvantaged groups.

- **Judiciary** – It also continues language supporting the Federal Judiciary Center’s efforts to educate bankruptcy judges on the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States and how bankruptcy court decisions impact national security.

Legislative Branch

The funding bill includes:

- \$24.3 million to pay House interns, including \$21.2 million for Member and Leadership offices and \$3.1 million for Committee offices.
- \$350,000 for the creation of a House Intern Resource Office within the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). The House Intern Resource Office shall promulgate best practices for intern hiring, provide guidance, training, support, and assistance to interns and hiring offices, and reach out to historically underrepresented communities to provide greater internship opportunities.
- Legislative language that would expand the existing House Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) authorizing statute to encompass educational assistance and professional development expenses for employees of the House of Representatives.
- \$1 million to begin a Legal Institute within the Congressional Research Service with introductory and advanced programs, geared toward senior Congressional staff who have not attended law school. The program would educate participants on legal fundamentals that inform Congress’s lawmaking and oversight functions.
- Continued support of the Capitol Police’s diversity and virtual reality training programs.

Military Construction & Veterans Affairs

- **Department of Defense Schools and Child Development Centers** – The bill provides \$293.3 million for new schools and Child Development Centers.
 - These funds support the construction of modern, safe K-12 schools on military installations for children of servicemembers.
 - These funds invest in the construction and future planning of Child Development Centers to address both insufficient accessibility to childcare facilities as well as the poor conditions of existing facilities.
- **Department of Veterans Affairs Education and Training Programs** – The bill provides \$8.9 billion of mandatory resources in fiscal year 2023 to support education and training benefit programs administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs.
 - These funds support education benefits, such as the Post-9/11 GI Bill, for approximately 900,000 servicemembers, veterans, and eligible family members nationwide each year.
 - These funds also support training programs for veterans and servicemembers with service-connected disabilities to prepare for, obtain and maintain suitable employment, start their own business or receive independent-living services.

- These funds also support housing, automotive, and adaptive equipment grants for severely disabled veterans.
- The bill provides \$8.5 billion for these education and training benefits in advance for fiscal year 2024.
- **Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Education and Workforce Programs** – Within the \$118.7 billion provided for veterans’ health care services, the bill includes \$2.7 billion for education and training of the health workforce, to support the training of future health professionals.
 - These funds support the training of over 113,000 trainees each year, including both physicians and other clinical disciplines. Nearly 20,000 trainees in VA come from Minority Serving Institutions.
 - The bill also provides \$248 million for the Health Care Professionals Educational Assistance Program, which includes several scholarships, loan repayment, and education debt reduction programs that help recruit and retain physicians to treat veterans.

State and Foreign Operations

- **International Basic Education** – The bill provides \$970 million for basic education, which is \$20 million above the enacted level and \$276.5 million above the request. This includes:
 - \$160 million for multilateral partnerships in education, including the Global Partnership for Education and Education Cannot Wait; and
 - Recommends not less than \$150 million be spent on girls’ education in areas of conflict.
- **Higher Education** – The bill provides \$285 million for higher education, which includes \$35 million for new or ongoing partnerships focused on building the capacity of higher education institutions and systems in developing countries. This \$35 million above the fiscal year 2022 level and \$67.2 million above the President’s fiscal year 2023 budget request.
- **Educational and Cultural Exchange (ECE) Programs** – The bill provides \$777.5 million for exchange programs, \$24.5 million above the fiscal year 2022 enacted level and \$36.2 million above the President’s fiscal year 2023 budget request.

Transportation-Housing & Urban Development

- **Department of Transportation (DOT)** – The bill:
 - Promotes workforce diversity within the FAA and the aviation industry at large, by including:
 - \$5 million for the Minority Serving Institutions internship program.
 - \$15 million for aviation workforce development programs.
 - \$2.3 million for an aviation science, technology, engineering, and math program.
 - Directs the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) to work with railroad stakeholders to better understand the current and future challenges facing the railroad workforce, and identify potential solutions and industry best practices.

- Supports the FRA's efforts to address diversity, equity, and inclusion in the railroad workforce.
 - Provides \$535 million for the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements grant program, which can support workforce development and training activities, and encourages the FRA to increase education and outreach on this important eligibility.
 - Provides \$2.5 million for a workforce development center to assist transit agencies with frontline workforce development and standards-based training in maintenance and operations.
 - Directs GAO to conduct a report focused on the transit workforce development needs as transit agencies transition to zero emission vehicles.
 - Provides roughly \$90 million to support the operation of the United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA), which is a federal service academy that educates U.S. merchant marine officers.
 - Directs MARAD to continue to engage with U.S. commercial vessel operators on the Every Mariner Builds a Respectful Culture (EMBARC), Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment prevention standards to reenroll additional vessel operators in the sea year program and address impediments to participation.
 - Includes a total of \$120.7 million to support six state maritime academies, which combined with the USMMA, educates U.S. merchant marine officers.
 - Provides up to \$2 million to the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration for hiring and retention incentives, to recruit and retain highly qualified inspectors and engineers.
 - Provides \$5.1 million for DOT's Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization and Outreach to assist minority and women owned businesses with competing for contracting opportunities with DOT and DOT-funded contracts or grants.
- **Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) – The bill:**
 - Invests \$350 million in the Choice Neighborhood Initiative, which includes supportive services tailored to the needs of residents to strengthen self-sufficiency by focusing on education, employment and income, and health. The bill increases the maximum amount of grant funding that may be used for supportive services activities to not more than 20 percent.
 - Increases supportive services for HUD-assisted households to improve their connections to jobs, healthcare, and educational opportunities by providing \$175 million for Self-Sufficiency Programs.
 - Encourages HUD to undertake an analysis of broadband infrastructure barriers and potential methods for providing high-quality, subsidized broadband to HUD-assisted households and directs HUD to detail the steps it has taken to coordinate with the Federal Communications Commission and carry out its responsibilities to implement the broadband deployment locations map pursuant to section 60105 of the IIJA.
 - Includes \$10 million for cooperative agreements and research partnerships with historically Black colleges and universities and Hispanic serving institutions.

Homeland Security

Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

- **Cyber Defense Education and Training (CDET) Program** – The bill provides over \$52.4 million to support CISA’s CDET program, in addition to the federal staff dedicated to the program. Examples of efforts funded in the program include \$10.3 million for the Federal Cyber Reskilling Academy; \$6.8 million for the kindergarten through 12th grade Cybersecurity Education and Training Assistance Program (CETAP); and \$2.5 million for the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE).
- **Bomb Disposal Technician Training and Technology Training Events (TTEs)** – To keep pace with evolving threats and ever advancing technology development, the bill provides a \$2 million increase above the request for TTEs for the bomb technician community.
- **School Safety** – The bill provides \$8.8 million, \$3.6 million above the request, to expand CISA’s school safety services and product offerings to better serve the 50 million students and over 130,000 public and private K-12 schools across the country.

Science and Technology Directorate (S&T)

- **University Programs** – The bill provides \$53.5 million to universities to support S&T’s research and development efforts, of which \$7.7 million is for Minority Serving Institutions, an increase of \$2.5 million above the request.